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Re: Withdrawal of Air Quality State Implementation Plans

Dear Mr. Conroy:

I hereby withdraw the following air quality State Implementation Plan (SIP) revision, previously submitted by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (DEM) to EPA.

January 18, 2011 – Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 9 “Air Pollution Control Permits”.

Rhode Island intends to amend Air Pollution Control Regulation No. 9 this year to:

- Add NO_x as a precursor to ozone in the definition of “major stationary source” in the PSD section of the regulation.
- Address the changes made to 40 CFR 51.166 in the October 20, 2010 rulemaking (75 FR 64864) regarding PM_{2.5} emissions.

When final, these revisions will be submitted to EPA as a formal SIP revision. Therefore, rather than devote resources to action on the above SIP revision, DEM is withdrawing them so that EPA and DEM can focus attention on the updated version of this planned SIP revision.

If you have any questions on this issue, please contact me at (401) 222-2808, x-7011.

Sincerely,

Laurie Grandchamp, P.E.
Acting Chief
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cc: Ida McDonnell, EPA